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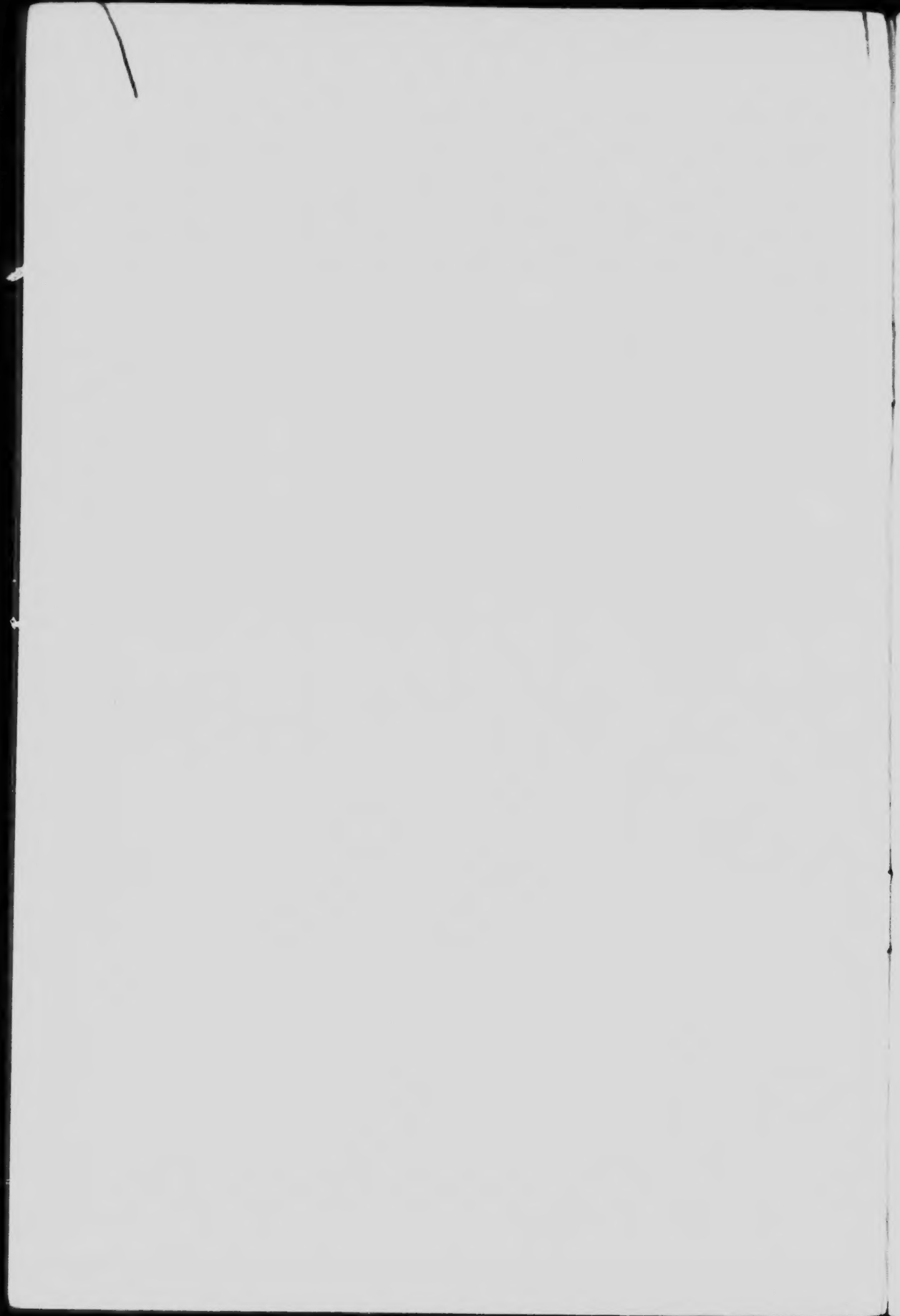


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DOCUMENTS FOR USE OF COMMISSION ON ANNESLEY HALL

1. Resolution of the Board of Regents appointing the Commission, May 2nd, 1912.

Be it resolved that this Board express to the Senate and to the Committee of Management its appreciation of their care and work for the women students of the College.

Be it further resolved that in view of the increasing number of women students and the request from the Alumnae for supervision for non-resident as well as resident women students, a Committee be appointed by this Board as follows, to consider and report on the following matters:—

(1) The recommendations of the Alumnae of the College in reference to supervision of women students.

(2) The method of administration of women's residences.

(3) The qualifications of the heads of all work or departments in the women's residences.

(4) The correlation of the Culinary Department with the University Course in Domestic Science.

(5) Such other matters as the Committee shall deem pertinent for the care and upbuilding of all women students in connection with Victoria College.

(6) That all communications and matters now before the Board in reference to the women's residence be referred to this Committee.

That the Committee appointed by the Senate to consider questions of Student Government be requested to confer with the Committee appointed by this Board and the two to act as a Joint Commission to consider the matters covered by this resolution, each Committee to report the result of the joint deliberations to its own body.

The Board nominated the following as the Committee:

Dr. Carman.

Vice-Chancellor Maclaren.

Mr. J. R. L. Starr.

Mr. H. H. Fudger.

Mr. N. W. Rowell.

Rev. Dr. Graham.

Dr. R. A. Reeve.

The Board nominated the following Committee of ladies to act upon the Commission in reference to Annesley Hall:

Mrs. N. Burwash.
Mrs. George Kerr.
Mrs. N. W. Rowell.
Miss 'arty.

Mrs. A. Carman.
Mrs. J. R. L. Starr.
Miss Addison.

2. The Statutory Powers of the Board of Regents.

The Board shall have full power from time to time to appoint and, as they shall see occasion, to remove the president, or other head, the professors, tutors, and masters, and all officers, agents and servants of said College; and the Board shall have full power from time to time to make and alter, or vary, any by-laws and regulations touching and concerning the time and place of holding ordinary board meetings, and notices thereof, and for the good ordering and government of the said College, the performance of divine service therein, the studies, lectures, and exercises of students, and all matters respecting the same; the number, residence, duties, salary, provision and emolument of the president, professors, tutors, masters, officers, agents and servants of the said College, respectively, and all other matters and things which to them may seem good, fit and useful for the well-ordering, governing and advancement of said College; and all such by-laws when reduced into writing, and after the common seal of the College hath been affixed thereto, shall be binding upon all persons members thereof: Provided, that no such by-law shall be repugnant to the laws of this province or of the Dominion of Canada: Provided, also, that no religious test or qualification shall be required of or appointed for any person on his admission as a student or scholar into the said College. —(*From the Ontario Statutes, 1874, chap. 79, section 7.*)

3. The Statutory Powers of the Senate.

The members of the Board and the professors of the various faculties of said University appointed by the Board, together with eight graduates elected by the graduates of said University, under such regulations as may from time to time be made by said Board, and such representatives of affiliated colleges or institutions as may be admitted under such regulations as may from time to time be made by said Board, shall constitute the Senate of said University, and shall have power and authority to confer the degrees of Bachelor, Master and Doctor in the several Arts, Sciences, and Faculties, and to determine the courses of study and qualifications for degrees, and all matters strictly pertaining to the work of education, and to settle, subject to ratification by the Board of Regents, the terms upon which

chartered Colleges and Schools may become affiliated to the University, and shall have the management and supervision of such other affairs of the University as shall from time to time be assigned them by the Board of the University. —(*From the Ontario Statutes, 1884, chap. 93, section 5, subsection 1*)

4. Constitution of the Committee of Management.

1. The Committee shall consist of eighteen members, to be nominated by the Victoria Women's Residence Association, and appointed by the Board of Regents of Victoria University.

The term of appointment shall be three years, one-third retiring annually and eligible for re-election.

They shall appoint their own officers.

2. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to nominate for appointment by the Board of Regents, the Dean of Residence, the Director of the Household, and other officers of the Residence; to employ all servants of the Residence; to define the duties and powers and fix the salaries of the officers and servants; to make regulations for the government of the students, subject to the approval of the President and Senate of the University; to oversee and direct all financial business of the institution and to take charge of the buildings, grounds, furniture and other property of the Residence.

3. They shall each year present to the Board of Regents at its annual meeting a full statement of the business of the year and of the assets and liabilities of the institution, and of the condition of the property. They shall also make a special report to the Board whenever so required.

They shall also report to the Senate each year as to the number and classes of students residing in the building and all matters of health and of social, moral and religious life and educational work among the students.

4. All additions to or changes in the building shall be made by the sanction of and under the direction of the Board of Regents.

5. In all matters relating to the government of the students, the final appeal and decision shall remain with the Chancellor and Senate of the University.

6. Vacancies in the Committee shall be filled on nomination of the Victoria Women's Residence and Educational Association, and by appointment of the Board of Regents.

(*Authorized by the Board of Regents, 1903, and the Executive Committee of the Board, 1907.*)

5. Agreement between the Dean of Annesley Hall, and the Students of Annesley Hall and its Annex, concerning Student Government, 1906.

Whereas the students of Annesley Hall desire to assume individual responsibility for the conduct of students in their residence life; and whereas it is believed that such responsibility if given to the students will make for growth and character and power, and will promote loyalty to the best interests of the Residence;

The Dean of Annesley Hall and the Superintendent of the Annex, with the consent and approval of the President and Senate of Victoria College, do hereby authorize the Annesley Hall Student Government Association to exercise the powers that may be committed to it with the most careful regard both for liberty and order, for the maintenance of the best conditions for scholarly work and religious life in the Residence.

1. To this Association the President and Senate, Dean of Residence and Superintendent of the Annex intrust the management of all matters concerning the conduct of students in their residence life, that are not strictly academic, or that are not hereinafter withdrawn from the jurisdiction of the Association.

2. The authorities of the Residence reserve for themselves the right to regulate:—

(a) All formal entertainments in the Residence, whether public or private, and invitations to such entertainments.

(b) All matters pertaining to public health and safety of students.

(c) All matters pertaining to the use of Residence property and equipment, the grounds, gymnasium, library and apparatus of every kind.

(d) All matters pertaining to the management of the household.

3. The enumeration of the powers reserved to the authorities is intended to define, so far as practicable, the province of the Annesley Student Government Association, but it is not to be understood as complete and all inclusive. If the question arises as to whether any subject is within the jurisdiction of the Association, it shall be referred for decision to a Joint Committee of twelve, made up of the President of the College, a Standing Committee of three appointed from the Senate, the President and two other members of the Committee of Management, the Dean of Residence, the Superintendent, and a Standing Committee of three appointed by the Annesley Student Government Association.

4. Amendments to this agreement proposed by the Dean and Superintendent of Residence and accepted by the Annesley Student Government Association, or proposed by the Annesley Student Govern-

ment Association and accepted by the Dean and Superintendent, shall be valid on the approval of the Senate.

5. It shall be within the power of the Senate to withdraw the powers granted in this document, or of the Annesley Student Government Association formally to relinquish the same, thirty days' notice being given in either case. Amendments to this agreement proposed by the Senate, Dean and Superintendent, or proposed by the Annesley Student Government Association, and accepted by the Senate shall be valid.

6. All legislation enacted by the Annesley Student Government Association shall be communicated in writing to the Dean of Residence and shall go into effect two weeks after the Association has been notified that the communication has been received, provided that during the interval the Joint Committee (provided for in Sec. 3) has not informed the Association that the given legislation exceeds the powers of the Association or that such legislation is subject to the approval of the Senate.

7. The agreement to be valid shall require the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate, the President and Secretary of the Committee of Management, the President and Secretary of the Executive Board of the Annesley Student Government Association and of the Dean (and Superintendent) of Residence.

6. Agreement Concerning Student Government in Annesley Hall, 1911.

Whereas the students of Annesley Hall desire to assume responsibility for the conduct of students in their residence life; and whereas it is believed that such responsibility if given to the students will make for development of character and will promote loyalty to the best interests of the Residence, the Dean of Annesley Hall, with the consent and approval of the President and Senate of Victoria College, and of the Committee of Management, does hereby authorize the Annesley Student Government Association to exercise the powers that may be committed to it with the most careful regard both for liberty and order, for the maintenance of the best conditions for scholarly work and religious life in the Residence.

1. To this Association is hereby entrusted the management of all matters concerning the conduct of students in their residence life that are not strictly academic, or that are not hereinafter withdrawn from the jurisdiction of the Association. But nothing in this agreement shall be understood as limiting the authority of the Dean to see that the regulations adopted and approved for the government of the students and the maintenance of good order are properly enforced.

2. The following matters do not come under the jurisdiction of the Association:

(a) All formal entertainments in the Residence, whether public or private, and the invitations to such entertainments.

(b) All matters pertaining to the public health and safety of students.

(c) All matters pertaining to the use of Residence property and equipment, grounds, gymnasium, library, and apparatus of every kind.

(d) All matters pertaining to the management of the household.

3. The enumeration of the powers thus reserved is intended to define, as far as practicable, the province of the Annesley Student Government Association, but it is not to be understood as complete and all inclusive. If the question arises whether any subject is within the jurisdiction of the Association, it shall be referred for decision to a Joint Committee of twelve, made up of the President of the College, a Standing Committee of three appointed by the Senate, the President and two other members of the Committee of Management, the Dean of Annesley Hall, the Mistress of South Hall, and a Standing Committee of three, appointed two by the Annesley Student Government Association and one by the South Hall Student Government Association. The Joint Committee shall, on application of any of the parties to this agreement, as set forth in Section 8, be summoned by the Secretary of the Senate.

4. Amendments to this agreement, proposed by the Dean and accepted by the Annesley Student Government Association, or proposed by the Annesley Student Government Association, and accepted by the Dean, shall be valid on receiving the approval of the Senate. Such proposed amendments shall be submitted by the Dean to the Committee of Management for their examination and approval, and the Secretary of the Committee of Management shall report its action on all such proposed amendments to the Senate for final approval.

5. All legislation enacted by the Annesley Student Government Association shall be communicated in writing to the Dean and shall go into effect one month after the Association has been notified by the Dean that such legislation has been communicated to the Committee of Management and to the Senate, provided that during the interval the Association has not been notified either by the Committee of Management or by the Senate that such legislation must receive the approval of the Senate or that the question whether such legislation is within the jurisdiction of the Association has been referred for decision to the Joint Committee, as provided in Section 3.

6. Changes or additions which the Committee of Management may deem advisable, whether in this agreement or in the legislation en-

acted by the Annesley Student Government Association, shall be communicated to the Senate for final approval, it being understood that the Annesley Student Government Association shall have been made cognizant of the changes or additions desired.

7. It shall be within the power of the Senate to withdraw the powers granted in this document, or of the Annesley Student Government Association formally to relinquish the same, thirty days' notice being given in either case.

8. This agreement to be valid shall require the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate, the President and Secretary of the Committee of Management, the President and Secretary of the Annesley Student Government Association, and the Dean of Annesley Hall.

NOTE.—This agreement, it is proposed, should be made to serve also for South Hall, by substituting the words "South Hall" for "Annesley Hall" or "Annesley" and the word "Mistress" for "Dean" wherever they occur in the document, except in the second sentence of Article 3.

(Amended agreement approved by the Senate, May, 1911.)

7. (Enclosure.) Rules and Regulations for Annesley and South Halls, as authorized for 1911-1912.

7. (a) The earliest printed Rules of Conduct read as follows:

1. After dinner no student may leave the Hall without the permission of the Dean, and those who ask leave of absence must give in writing the address of the place to which they wish to go, and must report themselves to the Dean, and in her absence to the Director of the Household on their return, not later than 10.30 o'clock.

2. Students of the first and second years may not accept invitations to social entertainments which will keep them out later than 10.30 o'clock, except those given in connection with their own college or on Friday evening, when they may not be out later than 12.30 o'clock.

3. Students of the third and fourth years may be permitted to go out on other evenings than Friday, and, if in groups of three or more, may have the use of a latch key.

4. Students in Annesley Hall may not attend public evening entertainments other than those of their own college, unless accompanied by a chaperone approved by the Dean or by an escort formally approved by their parents or guardians.

5. Students may receive gentlemen callers only on Friday evenings from 7 to 10, and on Sundays after church until 10 o'clock. In

case of out-of-town friends, exception will be made by permission of the Dean.

6. First and second year students may not go to evening church with gentlemen except members of their immediate family, and no student may go out walking or driving in the evening with gentlemen.

8. Amendment to Rules of Conduct proposed by the Annesley Student Government Association, and now under consideration by the Senate.

At a meeting of the first, second and third year students of the Annesley Student Government Association, the following business was enacted:

In "Rules of Conduct," rule number four was amended to read: "Attendance on any entertainment or function which will involve staying out later than 12.30 o'clock shall be granted only for Victoria College functions."

**9. Communication of Dr. Burwash to the Committee of the Senate
re Student Government in Annesley Hall.**

Gentlemen,—Permit me to call your attention to the following points which I consider defective in the present constitution of the student government in the residences for women students:—

1. Legislation.

(a) As the Board of Regents has entrusted the making of rules for the government of the Residences to the Ladies' Committee of Management, subject to the approval of the Senate, all legislation should first of all be submitted to the Committee for their examination and approval.

(b) Such legislation as approved by the Committee of Management should then by them be forwarded to the Senate for its final approval.

(c) Amendments or additions made by the Ladies' Committee of Management should be forwarded to the Senate for consideration. Amendments or additions made by the Senate should be final and valid without review by any other body, unless the Board of Regents see fit to resume their authority under the Charter.

2. Administration.

(a) A Joint Committee should be purely a court of interpretation and appeal and should not interfere with legislation.

(b) The Officers appointed by the Board of Regents as Dean, or other head of each Residence, should have full authority to see that proctors and Executive Board do their duty in maintaining order and enforcing the regulations adopted and approved for the government of the house. They should receive from the Executive Board a

monthly statement of all cases on which it has taken action and at the end of the year should make a summary report on the administration of the Student Government to the Ladies' Committee of Management to be forwarded to the Senate. In case the Student Government fails to obtain necessary orders they should report the same at once to the Senate through the Ladies' Committee of Management.

N. BURWASH.

10. Reports of Committee of Senate on Changes in the Agreement and Rules of Conduct, and Action of Senate Thereon.

(a) REPORT OF COMMITTEE, MAY, 1911, AND ACTION OF SENATE.

To the Senate of Victoria University:

Gentlemen,—The Committee appointed by the Senate to report on any changes in the rules of Government for Annesley Hall which may seem to be desirable, begs to submit the following report and recommendations:

Your Committee has given its attention chiefly to the consideration of the rules of conduct in force in Annesley and South Halls, and to the agreement under which for some years Student Government has been carried on. To this agreement the signatory parties are the President and Secretary of this Senate, the President and Secretary of the Committee of Management, the Executive Board of the Annesley Student Government Association, and the Dean and Superintendent of Residence, the two last named of whom are, understand, to be known in future as the Dean of Annesley Hall and the Mistress of South Hall respectively.

The general tenor and spirit of the rules and agreement your Committee has sought to preserve; the amendments and additions which it has framed, in conference and consultation with the various parties to the agreement, have been intended chiefly to remove ambiguities, to make more explicit the procedure to be followed at various stages, to give more definitely to the Ladies' Committee of Management that place in the government of the students which the Constitution prescribed by the Board of Regent had assigned to them, and to provide for certain contingencies on which the former regulations had been silent.

It was suggested by the Committee of Management that a separate Student Government Association be authorized for South Hall, and that such differences be made in rules and regulations as may be necessary for the two groups of students. Your Committee has borne this recommendation in mind, and has so drafted the two documents herewith submitted that with simply the necessary

verbal changes they will apply equally to Annesley Hall and South Hall.

The Rules of Conduct as finally drafted by your Committee have received the full and complete approval of all the parties concerned.

As regards the Agreement concerning Student Government, all its clauses as presented herewith have also been approved by all the parties concerned, but in connection therewith one or two matters are still under consideration, so that the Committee is not in a position to make a definitely final report, and it therefore suggests that final action on the agreement be deferred until such a report can be made.

The following resolutions are submitted to the Senate as embodying the Committee's recommendations.

1. That the Rules of Conduct herewith submitted, the various clauses of which have all received the approval of the Committee of Management, the Dean of Annesley Hall, the Mistress of South Hall and the Student Government Association, be and are hereby approved, to come into force with the session of 1911-1912.

2. That the Senate hereby authorizes the formation in South Hall of a separate Student Government Association, to be known as the South Hall Student Government Association, which, unless it be expressly stated to the contrary, shall be under the same regulations and conditions (*mutatis mutandis*) as the Senate may approve for the Annesley Student Government Association.

3. That the Agreement concerning Student Government herewith submitted, the various clauses of which have all received the approval of the Committee of Management, the Dean of Annesley Hall, the Mistress of South Hall and the Student Government Association, be and is hereby approved, but that the question of bringing it into force be deferred until a further report has been received from the Senate's Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed) A. H. REYNAR.

(Signed) J. C. ROBERTSON.

(Signed) P. EDGAR.

Professor Robertson moved the adoption of the first resolution of the Committee's Report. After discussion the motion was carried.

Professor Robertson then moved the adoption of the second and third resolutions of the report and these were carried.

10. (b) "*Extracts from the Minutes of the Committee of Management Showing the Action of the Committee.*"

The Committee was called to consider the communication regard-

ing Rules of Conduct received from Professor Robertson, Secretary of the Senate Committee. The letter, which is on file, was read and considered carefully point by point, and the following agreed upon:

Moved by Mrs. Rowell, seconded by Mrs. Sutherland,—“That the Agreement be accepted as amended.” Carried.

Moved by Miss Addison, seconded by Mrs. C. D. Massey,—“That the Rules of Conduct be accepted as amended.” Carried.

It was suggested that the President and Secretary could now be authorized to sign the Agreement, provided it passed the Senate without any changes. The President stated that in view of the fact that the Committee of Management had been appointed by the Board of Regents, and were, therefore, in a measure responsible to them, she could not put her signature to the Agreement without its first having the approval of the Board of Regents. The following resolution was therefore agreed upon, on motion of Mrs. Rowell and Mrs. Sutherland: “That the agreement be signed by the President and Secretary of this Committee after having been submitted by the Senate to the Board of Regents and having received its approval.”

A letter was read from Professor Robertson, Secretary of the Senate Committee. The letter, which is on file, expressed the satisfaction of the Senate Committee in the fact that the Agreement and Rules of Conduct, in their amended form, had now been approved by both the Committee of Management and the Annesley Student Government Association. The letter also pointed out that in view of the fact that the Constitution of the Committee of Management given to it by the Board of Regents, expressly states that “in all matters relating to the government of the students, the final appeal and decision shall remain with the Chancellor and Senate of the University,” and also in view of the fact that Chancellor Burwash had written to the Senate Committee emphasizing this point, the Senate Committee could not ask the Senate to send on the Agreement to the Board of Regents as decided upon in our resolution of May 23rd. Referring to this matter the President stated that she still wished the Agreement to be presented to the Board of Regents for approval. As this was not the voice of the Committee, it was agreed that the President should herself present the Agreement and place her views before the Board.

The matter of the Agreement between the Senate, this Committee and the Students, was taken up and the President stated that she wished the Secretary to communicate with the Secretary of the Senate Committee on Agreement and Rules, stating that, after the amended Agreement had been signed by the members of the Senate whose signatures are required, she would be ready to sign it.

6. *Report of Committee, February, 1912, and Action of Senate.*

To the Senate of Victoria University:

Gentlemen,—The Committee which was appointed by the Senate to report on any changes in the rules of Government for Annesley Hall that might seem to be desirable, and which on May 26th, 1911, presented a report embodying certain recommendations which were approved by the Senate, begs to submit this further report.

1. As stated in the earlier report, the form of Agreement concerning Student Government in Annesley and South Halls has been approved by all the parties concerned, but as certain relevant matters were still at that date under consideration it was recommended and decided that final action be deferred until a further report should be received. Your Committee is now able to report that such final action may now be taken, and recommends that the Senate, having already formally approved the aforesaid Agreement, now authorize the necessary signatures of its officers with a view to bringing the Agreement into force.

2. At the same meeting of the Senate last May, the Rules of Conduct were finally approved, to come into force at the beginning of the session, 1911-12. Since that date a petition has been sent in from the women students in residence asking for a modification of Rule 2, so as to revert to the practice formerly in vogue. Your Committee begs to recommend that the Senate do not grant this petition, on the ground that all reasonable freedom is permitted under the rule as it now stands. The only difference would seem to be that what, under present conditions, can always be secured if it meets with the approval of the Dean or Mistress of the Hall, would, under the rule proposed in the petition, become a right to be exercised whether with or without such approval.

All of which is respectively submitted.
February 2, 1912.

Professor Robertson moved and Professor Wallace seconded,—"That the Chancellor and Registrar be authorized on behalf of the Senate to sign the Agreement concerning Student Government in Annesley Hall."

Professor Bell moved, and Professor McLaughlin seconded, as a substitute motion,—"That the Chancellor and the Deans of Art and Theology be a Committee to confer with the Dean of Annesley Hall with regard to certain reports that have come to the knowledge of the

Senate and to report to the Senate with a view to informing it with regard to the same."

Professors Robertson and Bell moved, and it was carried,—“ That the Senate adopt the second clause of the report of the Annesley Hall Committee.”

Special Report of the Administration of the Rules and Regulations of Annesley Hall, from September 27th, 1911, to Febru- ary 1st, 1912.

(Prepared by the Dean at the request of the Special Committee of the Senate.)

Rule 1.—A few times when the officers were not to be found, students have registered their names and addresses, and reported all circumstances on their return. These were not for dances, and occurred only twice for the theatre. A student registers name, date, and hour of return on a card like the enclosed. The Dean adds the name of escort, chaperone, etc., and keeps the cards on file.

Rule 2.—The Dean and the Mistress agreed to grant late leaves to students of the first and second years on a night other than Friday, only once during each term.

In Annesley Hall the plays of Shakespeare were reckoned as equivalent to lectures, and students were permitted to attend as many as they wished during the week that Robert Mantell played in Toronto.

On five different nights students have not returned at 12.30. The cases are as follows:

(1) Oct. 30th: A third year student on the evening of Thanksgiving was three minutes late. She had to report, but was not fined.

(2) Oct. 31st: A fourth year student was at a party at a private house, did not clearly understand the rule, was an hour late, was reported, and was fined 50 cts.

(3) Nov. 28th: A third year student was fifteen minutes late. She would have been in on time had she and her escort not taken the chaperone, who was alone, home. She was not reported nor fined, but the President of the A. S. G. A. was notified of the circumstance.

(4) Dec. 6th: Three young women from the first, second and third years respectively were three-quarters of an hour late. They were near Parkdale, missed the car and had to walk home. They were severely reprimanded and were fined 35 cts. each.

(5) Jan. 29th: A fourth year student was twenty-five minutes

late. The clock in the house of the hostess was slow, the young lady missed the car and had to walk home. She reported, but the case was left over and has not yet been dealt with.

Early in October a second year student came in at 11.10. She had been spending the evening with her father. She did not understand that by the rule she could not do this.

Jan. 21st: Two young women of the second year came in at 11.10 and 10.40 respectively. They were severely reprimanded, and were fined 25 cts. each.

Rule 3.—In four and not in more than six cases has a latch key been used.

Rule 4.—Once only leave to stay out later than 12.30 was granted to four young ladies of the fourth year. It was not practicable to obtain the written request from the parents. The case was that of a dance held in the Metropolitan Hall. The chaperones were Mrs. Starr and Mrs. McMurrich. The former took a personal interest in the students and assured me of their excellent behaviour. As Mrs. Starr left a few minutes before the dance closed, Mrs. McMurrich stayed until the end. The fraternity holding the dance is one in medicine, of which Drs. Starr, Primrose and McMurrich are members. The escorts of the young women were a fiance and a cousin of one young woman, and a brother and a future brother-in-law of another. Three of them are personally known to me.

Rule 5.—No infringement.

Rule 6.—Twenty-seven students have been out over night, including week-ends. Eleven of these were staying with members of their own families who were in the city for a few days, or spent week-ends with relatives; thirteen spent week-ends in homes of intimate friends of their families, or in homes well known to me; three stayed out over night with friends; five out of all were out over night to attend parties. One of the five was out twice, both times at her relative's.

Rule 7.—There was some misunderstanding in October regarding calling on Sunday afternoon. The rule has been explained to be prohibitive.

Rules 8 and 9.—No infringement.

Report Concerning the Attendance at the Theatre for the Sixteen Weeks of the First Term.

Number of evenings on which persons attended the theatre, 26.
Number of evening attendances on the plays of Shakespeare, 30.
Number of evening attendances on the play "Blue Bird," 11. Num-

ber of persons attending these plays, 29. Number of evening attendances on other plays, 28. Number of persons attending these plays, 18.

To the plays of Shakespeare and the "Blue Bird" 4 persons went 3 times; 4 persons went twice; 21 persons went once.

To other plays—1 person went 6 times; 2 persons went 3 times; 1 person went twice; 14 persons went once.

Total—1 person went 7 times (she takes regularly first-class honors); 1 person went 5 times (she takes regularly second-class honors); 2 persons went 4 times (standing good); 4 persons went 3 times; nine persons went twice; 19 persons went once; total, 36 persons went 69 times.

Number of students in residence, 59.

Average attendance at theatre, 69/59.

Report Concerning the Attendance at Dances for the Sixteen Weeks of the First Term.

Number of dances attended, 7; number of persons attending them, 6; of whom are Methodists, 4; Presbyterians, 2.

The dances were: University Arts dance; one Fraternity dance; three Medical dances; one University dance; one private dance.

Of the six students who attended dances, five are in Science, three in Household Science, one in Biology, one in Biology and Physics. Two had first-class honors last year, one second, the two in pure science third-class. The sixth student is in the General Course and stood eighth in second-class general proficiency last year. The students in science have long hours in the laboratory, and one of them said she would be unable to keep at her work had she not from time to time some amusement which gave her complete recreation. These students by virtue of being in science courses are cut off from many of the student activities which occur during literary courses.

Academic Standing of the Women Students in Residence and Those not in Residence.

It is with no desire to make an invidious distinction between the two classes of students, and it is with the recognition that the standard of those under supervision in Residence should exceed that of those less favorably placed, that these figures are given. These figures can be verified by examination of the class lists of 1911. There

were last year an equal number of persons in the two classes writing upon examinations, viz., in residence, 67; not in residence, 67.

First-class honors, students in residence, 15%; non-resident students, 13%.

Second-class honors, students in residence, 42%; non-resident students, 28%.

Total in first and second-class honors, students in residence, 57%; non-resident students, 41%.

Third-class honors, students in residence, 15%; non-resident students, 19%.

General course, students in residence, 13%; non-resident students, 20%.

L. B. honors deferred, transferred, students in residence, 12%; non-resident students, 6%.

Having lost the year, students in residence, 3%; non-resident students, 7%.

Aegrotat, students in residence, 0%; non-resident students, 3%.

Number of stars, students in residence, 18%; non-resident students, 25%.

12. Action of the Senate on Report of the Special Committee on Annesley Hall, March, 1912.

(a) Some Communications Received.

Professor A. L. Langford, Secretary, Senate of Victoria University:

DEAR SIR,—At a meeting of the Committee of Management of Annesley Hall, held March 14th, 1912, the following resolution was proposed, but owing to a bare quorum being present, and one member declining to vote, it was not carried:

"In view of the fact that the matter of the Student Government of Annesley Hall is again being discussed in the Senate, we wish to send to the Senate an expression of our renewed confidence in Miss Addison and in the general working of Student Government."

We, as individual members of the Committee of Management, wish to put ourselves on record as favoring the above resolution.

LOUISE L. C. STARR.

FLORENCE W. LANG.

E. J. KERR.

MARY E. CARTY.

MARY CARMAN.

M. F. GURNEY.

H. A. SUTHERLAND.

N. L. ROWELL.

HANNAH FUDGER.

The following members of the Committee of Management are out of town and could not be consulted: Mrs. A. R. Bain, Mrs. T. Eaton, Mrs. J. W. Flavelle, Mrs. R. N. Burns.

To the Senate of Victoria University:

Gentlemen,—Some members of the Victoria College Alumnae Association have recently received from the Chancellor of Victoria University a communication requesting an expression of opinion in regard to Student Government as it is now in force in the Women's Residences of Victoria College.

These members considered the matter so important that they brought it to the attention of the Executive of the Victoria College Alumnae Association, and, at their request, special meetings of the Alumnae Association were called by the Executive Committee.

At these meetings the above question of Student Government has been fully discussed, and it has been found that the Victoria College Alumnae Association unanimously approves of the principles of Student Government in residence life and, as far as it could judge of the form of student government in force in the residences of Victoria College, from the information in its possession and from the opinion of its members who have been in residence, it approves entirely of the form and administration of that government.

The Alumnae Association being aware that this matter is to be presented to the Senate of Victoria University at its meeting on March the 15th, begs leave to submit the following resolution, which was unanimously passed at a recent meeting:

Moved by Miss Patterson, seconded by Miss Hewitt,—“That the Alumnae Association of Victoria College desires to express its unanimous approval of the principle of Student Government, and directs that a report to that effect be sent to the Senate of Victoria University.”

NELLIE LANGFORD ROWELL,
President.

VELMA M. HAMILL,
Secretary.

(a) Action of the Senate, March, 1912.

The Report of the Special Committee on Annesley Hall, appointed at the last meeting of the Senate, was presented by the Chancellor. He explained that the report of the Committee consisted of first, the document sent out with the call to the meeting of the Senate and dealing with the administration of the Rules of Conduct; and second, of letters in answer to questions sent out on behalf of the Committee to four women graduates.

At the request of the Chancellor, Mr. Justice Maclaren, the Vice-Chancellor took the chair during the discussion of this report.

Professor Robertson moved, and Professor Wallace seconded, "That the Chancellor and Registrar be authorized on behalf of the Senate to sign the agreement concerning Student Government in Annesley Hall."

After considerable discussion, Professor Bell moved in amendment and the Chancellor seconded, "That before the agreement is signed the rules be referred back to the Committee with the suggestion that those regarding dances, theatres, and chaperonage be carefully reconsidered."

The amendment was lost; then the main motion was put and carried.

Moved by Rev. A. H. Going, and seconded by Rev. R. N. Burns, "That this Senate having heard the report of the Dean of Annesley Hall, we wish to express our hearty approval of her management and assure her of our hearty support and that we suggest to the Board of Management of Annesley Hall that the officers of the Hall should be under the Dean's direction; that a copy of this resolution be sent to Miss Addison, to the Committee of Management and to the Board of Regents."

13. *Communications and extracts from reports—extracts from reports of the Dean of Annesley Hall on Student Management.*

- (a) From report to Board of Regents, 1908, adopted by the Committee of Management, on the motion of Mrs. Gurney and Mrs. Kerr.

I have been asked to speak briefly of the student life within the building. Since the inauguration of the system of government, which obtained the approval of the members of the Senate and the Committee of Management, as well as of the Dean and students, in the autumn of 1906, there has been a steady growth in the good conduct of the young women, shown in a greater degree of consideration for others, in courtesy to those older than themselves, in an increased *esprit de corps* and acceptance of responsibility on their part and in more sensible habits of life. There are not wanting those who think

at a more autocratic form of government would be an improvement; but I am thoroughly convinced, with the experience of the last five years, that while some fundamental rules are necessary and must be rigidly enforced, it is wiser to throw the responsibility of government as far as possible on the students themselves, requiring them to report themselves to their own President and trusting to their sense of honor to do so; to adopt the principle set before the students of the Univer-

sity by President Falconer in his opening address to them in October, "The University must take the risk of freedom, in the conviction that under it there will be a greatly overbalancing development of self-directing manhood." I find as the result of this liberal and responsible government, greater truthfulness and frankness, and a much better moral tone than exists under an elaborate system of rules. The young ladies are told plainly, the beginning of the term, that it is quite possible that they may make mistakes and find that they have transgressed some of the rules; but the one thing that cannot and will not be tolerated is deception. They, therefore, frankly make their own confessions and take the punishment consequent on them. To talk much of the individual work done among the students, of talks and conferences with them and influence upon them, destroys the possibility of such work and savors of cant; yet I should like to say that the increased spiritual earnestness among the young women, their honest effort to do right, their better morals and manners, their desire for more culture, their common sense and growing power over themselves, are matters which may well call forth thanksgiving from those interested in the welfare of our young women of Annesley Hall.

- (b) From report of Senate, 1911, which had been, on the motion of Mrs. Carman and Mrs. Sutherland, adopted by the Committee of Management.

The Annesley Student Government Association is still, in my opinion, the best form of government we can adopt. It is not perfect, but it more fully develops in the students a sense of individual responsibility, both to the institution and to one another, than does a government devoid of the voluntary co-operation of those governed. The friendship between the officers and students has grown to a comradeship, which is characterized by a truly delightful frankness and honesty on the part of the students. It is this relationship of trust and friendship which permits a larger liberty for the students than could be given under other circumstances.

- (c) To the Senate, from the Ladies' Committee of Management.
Professor A. L. Langford, Secretary, Senate of Victoria University:

DEAR SIR,—I am instructed by the Committee of Management of Annesley and South Halls to forward to the Senate and to the Board of Regents the following resolution, passed at its meeting held April 15th, 1912:

"Moved by Mrs. N. W. Rowell, seconded by Mrs. Edward Gurney, "That the Committee of Management express to the Senate its pleasure in the strong resolution of confidence in the Dean passed at its meeting of March 15th and forwarded to the Committee; and

the Committee further desires to express its willingness to re-adjust the duties of the officers so that there may be the greatest possible unity in the government of the Residences."

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) FLORENCE W. LANG,

Secretary.

(d) Resolution of students in Annesley Hall, communicated to the Senate.

At a meeting of the first, second and third year students of the Annesley Student Government Association, the following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas in the general opinion of this student body it is considered detrimental to highest scholastic achievement and moral well-being that students should attend public dances during their undergraduate years,

"Therefore be it resolved that we, the members of the A.S.G.A., place on record our disapproval of such attendance."

(e) **To the Board of Regents from Certain Members of the Ladies' Committee of Management.**

GENTLEMEN,—As members of the "Ladies' Committee of Management" to whom you have entrusted the responsibility of making "regulations for the government of the students" of Annesley Hall, subject to the approval of the President and Senate of the University, we beg leave to submit to your consideration the following statement of what we regard as a grave crisis in the affairs of the Hall.

Some years ago the principle of Student Government was adopted for the Hall with our consent and that of the President and Senate of the University. In the efficiency of Student Government we then had and still maintain the fullest confidence, as we have known it to be constituted and administered in some of the best institutions of Great Britain and also on this Continent. But in the administration of this government there have occurred things which seem to us to be fraught with serious danger to the good discipline of the Hall, as to the best welfare of the students concerned. These things have occurred in connection with Rules of Conduct, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. These rules prescribe the conditions under which students may leave the Hall after dinner, the hours at which they should return and the proper chaperone or escort. The rules leave with the Dean discretionary power of granting or refusing permission in any case, and secondly of arranging another than Friday night for students of the first and second years, and

of permitting several nights in one week for students of the third and fourth years. The additional precaution is taken of requiring a written request from parents or guardians for an hour later than 12.30. These discretionary powers involve large responsibility on the part of the Dean of Residence in giving permission, and demand firmness in refusal where, in her judgment, permission should not be given. But as the Rules were presented to us by the Dean and we had full confidence in her judgment and firmness, we gave endorsement to them without hesitation.

But the circumstances which now give us serious concern and which have caused the President of the College, as well as the presiding officer of our Committee at his suggestion, to call the whole matter under consideration, are the following:

(1) Attendance at theatres.

(2) Dances.

The attendance on theatres has been of two kinds, (a) Shakespeare and the Bluebird. These plays have been attended by twenty-nine students in all, forty-nine attendances, twenty-one only once. This might not be considered serious, as these plays are regularly studied as English or French literature, providing the young ladies went together with a block of seats engaged, accompanied by the Dean or other officer and returning in the same way. In the best Ladies' Colleges of the city a private car is engaged both going and returning. This is the chaperonage required by the usages of good society in such cases.

The other form of general theatre going indulged in by 18 persons from one to six times each, is more serious on account of the heterogeneous character of the plays presented in the city. But the matter in either case is rendered much more serious by the custom which seems to prevail in most cases that young men call and take the young ladies to the theatres and pay their tickets and are their only escort. The safeguard of parents' written permission seems of little avail, as one young lady, when asked to furnish this by the Mistress of South Hall, produced a paper with a dozen names of students evidently furnished by herself to her parents for the purpose. If a rigid rule is maintained of prohibiting students from going to evening church with a gentleman, it would only seem to be reasonable that at least equal strictness should be observed as to the theatre. The matter of the dance is still more serious. Seven dances in all are reported, attended by six students. They were the University Arts dance, a Fraternity dance, three Medical dances, one University dance and one private dance. Of the private dance we know nothing. The University Arts dance a year ago was of such a character that we are informed that the Caput were

obliged to refuse permission for any further dances to be held in a university building until proper regulations were adopted as to the parties invited and the chaperonage of the young ladies. Fraternity dances and Medical dances, which are at least some of them also fraternity dances, are held in public halls and liable to all the dangers of such a circumstance. A still more serious circumstance is that no proper chaperonage is provided. Young men call and take the young ladies to the dance, as to the theatre, and return to the Hall at varying hours up to 2.30 a.m. The only alleviating circumstance is that only six students, four Methodists and two Presbyterians, indulged in this amusement. But if six are permitted all others have an equal right and the ones to whom it presents the greatest moral danger are the ones who are most likely to press for the indulgence of that right.

We are very sorry to learn that a motion by the President and Dr. Bell, to refer back the rules of conduct for reconsideration on the questions of dancing, theatre-going and chaperonage, was rejected by the Senate, as such a revision might have enabled the Dean to deal with the matter without any inconsistency, and have strengthened our hands in the solution of an important problem. The rules being passed as they stand, the only hope of change rests in the hands of the Dean; and as another motion by the Senate followed which expressed the fullest confidence in the present administration and advising that all officers of the Hall be placed under the complete control of the Dean, we have little hope of a change of policy unless by authority of your Board.

The last clause of the resolution just referred to asks us to divest ourselves of the control of the officers of the Hall, and to place that control in the hands of the Dean. This is the introduction of an entirely new principle in the administration of our own, or, as far as we know, of any other modern college. The President, Dean or other Head must indeed see that every officer discharges her duty, but the prescription of these duties rests with the Board of Regents, and by your authority has been assigned to us. If the Dean thinks that any officer is not faithfully discharging her duty she should report to our Committee and the matter would at once be investigated. To each officer in the Hall we have assigned a small sub-committee with whom she can at all times advise as to the detailed management of her work. Any departure from this system would involve financial and other considerations for which we could no longer be responsible.

We are sorry that by serious illness and absence from the city four of our number are prevented from attending our next Committee meeting. We may, therefore, find ourselves in a minority,

and a presentation differing from this may be sent you by the formal action of the Ladies' Committee of Management. But we regard the matter as so important that we have ventured to intrude this memorial upon your attention as the only method of presenting our views.

(Signed)

A. E. WOOD.

MARGARET P. BURWASH

LILLIAN MASSEY TREBLE

SUSIE D. MASSEY.

MARY E. CARTY.

MARGARET P. MASSEY.

H. A. SUTHERLAND.

Mrs. T. Eaton has also written endorsing this letter, which was submitted to her in England.

15. Statement prepared at the request of the Committee of the Joint Commission by the Chairman of the Ladies' Committee of Management on the Organization, Methods of Administration and Division of Duties obtaining in Annesley Hall.

About the year 1890 a conversation was held between Mr. Hart A. Massey and Dr. Dewart and Dr. Burwash on the importance of the higher education of young women, and of a home for that object. In 1894 Mr. Massey died, leaving in his will \$50,000 for that purpose. In the following summer Dr. Burwash visited Oxford and Cambridge, making a study of the Women's Colleges there, and the work of the Association of Ladies in Oxford for their support. In 1897 a similar Association was formed in Toronto under the name of the Barbara Heck Memorial Association and began the work of raising funds for the furnishing of the new residence and providing a site.

Early in 1900, after a visit of the President to the University of Michigan, the B.H.M.A. extended their work to do something for the physical culture and social life of the women students, and Mrs. Cutter was engaged for a course of ten lessons in Physical Culture. In the following May the Board of Regents were asked approve of making Physical Culture a permanent part of the provisions for women students, and the following resolution was passed by the Board of Regents: "That the thanks of the Board of Regents be presented to the Barbara Heck Association for their important work during the past year in assisting to provide for the women students more perfect advantages both for social life and physical culture; that the Board heartily approves of the proposal of the Ladies' Association to provide for the physical culture of the young women attending the University."

In the autumn of 1900, it was not found possible to arrange terms with the Conservatory of Music for the employment of their

instructor, and on the recommendation of Dr. Torrington, Mrs. Ema Scott-Raff was engaged as instructor in Physical Culture by the B.H.M.A., for one year. In May, 1901, the work was extended to include Voice Culture and Expression and Mrs. Raff was re-engaged on motion of Mrs. Bain, seconded by Mrs. Sweetnam.

In 1902, on recommendation of Dr. F. N. G. Starr, Dr. Lelia Davis was appointed Medical Adviser for students in Physical Culture by the B.H.M.A.

On November 4th, 1901, through the gift of Mr. Massey and the purchase of the Czar Street property, to which the B.H.M.A. had contributed \$5,000, plans and tenders were accepted for a Women's Residence Building, and operations commenced and the corner stone laid, April 20th, 1902. In this building provision was made for a gymnasium to carry on the work of physical culture.

In May, 1902, the Board of Regents, in anticipation of the completion of the residence building, took into consideration the best method of providing for the organization of the staff and of its financial and general management. After negotiation with the Women's Residence and Educational Association, the new name of the B.H.M.A., they framed a constitution for a Ladies' Committee of Management, giving them extensive powers of government and financial management and nomination of officers. This constitution was finally completed and adopted April 7th, and May, 1903. At the same time the work of Mrs. Scott-Raff and Dr. Lelia Davis was placed under the control of this Ladies' Committee of Management and transferred to Annesley Hall in the autumn, and the appointment of these two as officers of the Hall confirmed by the Executive Committee of the Board of Regents, March, 1904. In making this transfer in May, 1903, it was moved by Dr. Starr and seconded by Dr. Griffin, "That the Board place on record its opinion that no further study than Physical Culture be authorized in connection with the Women's Residence." Carried.

In December, 1902, the Women's Residence and Educational Association made their first nomination of sixteen members for the Ladies' Committee of Management, as follows: Mesdames Cox, Treble, C. D. Massey, Gurney, George Kerr, Flavelle, Fudger, Kemp, Eaton, Carman, Courtice, Bain, Sutherland, Starr, LeRossignol and Burwash, which was confirmed by the Executive Committee of the Board.

They likewise nominated Miss Helen Scott, of Ottawa, as Matron, which was confirmed. Finally, October 22nd, 1903, the nomination of Miss M. E. T. Addison, M.A., as Dean of Residence, was laid before the Executive Committee of Management and confirmed.

The officers of the Hall were thus appointed at various times,

and without specific definition of their duties or their relation to each other. Mrs. Raff and Dr. Davis were carried over from a previous arrangement of the B.H.M.A., and their relation to Annesley Hall finally settled in 1904. Miss Scott was definitely appointed in 1902, and Miss Addison in 1903.

In 1904 Miss Scott resigned and Miss Richardson was appointed in her place.

In 1903, when Miss Addison and Miss Scott were beginning their work together, the keeping of the books and the care of the finances was assigned to Miss Addison by the Ladies' Committee. The keeping of the books and the banking were transferred to Miss Richardson by the Ladies' Committee, in September, 1906.

The Ladies' Committee of Management have from the beginning kept careful supervision of finance, housekeeping, gymnasium, and infirmary through the following sub-committees: Finance, House, Gymnasium and Infirmary. Under these sub-committees the officers concerned have been held directly responsible and have reported to or consulted with their committees on all matters.

16. Communication to the Board of Regents from the Alumnae Association on the appointment of an adviser for all Victoria College Women Students.

The Committee appointed by the Alumnae to enquire into the need of an "adviser" for all Victoria College women have, at the request of the Chancellor, prepared an outline of some of the duties of such an officer, and they beg leave to present the following report to the Board of Regents:

1. That there be appointed by the Board of Regents an adviser to all women students registered at Victoria College, such officer to be a University graduate and *ex officio* a member of the Faculty.

2. That such officer reside in one of the Halls of Residence and have control, under the Board, of the government of all the residences for women through the heads of the different halls—such heads to be University graduates.

3. That such officer supervise all boarding houses that are recommended to students, and have authority over these students to advise on matters of health, social life, and general conduct.

4. That such officer correspond with prospective students, and be a source of information in regard to openings for graduate students, etc.

5. That such officer be responsible for all chaperonage.